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**DCI EXECUTIVE ORDER DESIGNATING SINGLE MANAGER
FOR RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND ENGINEERING (RD&E)**

1. Research, development and engineering (RD&E) of new techniques and equipment for collecting, processing, and evaluating intelligence data is of vital importance to the CIA. It also is the contribution research and engineering can make to the communication and security of intelligence activities. In Fiscal Year 1967, we expect that [REDACTED] the CIA budget will be spent on the RD&E activities which are now conducted in the four directorates. We must be assured that our RD&E efforts are truly responsive to the total needs of CIA and that scientific and engineering advances are promptly exploited. The need for a consolidated RD&E program for CIA is increasingly apparent in order to improve Agency performance in this vital area. The consolidation of our programs can also provide increased efficiency in the utilization of our limited manpower and funds, and preclude duplication in contracts and fragmentation of effort.

2. The Deputy Director for Science and Technology is assigned as the single manager for all CIA RD&E programs. It will be his responsibility to insure that the CIA has a coordinated program for RD&E. In this role he will serve in a staff capacity to the DCI, and will exercise responsibility and authority for establishing and managing a single coordinated program for the CIA which will include all the RD&E activities of the separate directorates. The DD/SET will develop, coordinate, and approve the Agency RD&E plan; authorize programs directed toward securing new technical knowledge, techniques, and equipment compatible with the Agency mission and needs in its assigned and potential areas of responsibility; approve the topic, mission, scope of work, priority, and allocation of funds in these activities; monitor the progress of RD&E programs; stimulate the incorporation and utilization of results from advanced systems and developmental work; provide for the interchange of RD&E information among the Agency components; develop, coordinate and approve the RD&E portion to the Long Range Plan. Procurement

and operation of equipment which has already been developed will continue to be the responsibility of the directorates.

3. Organizations with operational responsibilities will be primarily responsible for identifying areas where their efforts may be significantly improved by technical innovations. They will be encouraged to define and communicate their technical requirements and needs to the DD/S&T. RD&E programs to satisfy these needs may also be recommended to the DD/S&T. The DD/S&T will be responsible to me for the over-all identification of RD&E needs of the Agency.

4. The DD/S&T will integrate proposed programs and their budgets. Common format and procedures for RD&E will be introduced, and the planning, programming, and budget cycle will be conducted on the established Agency schedule. The DD/S&T will construct a consolidated Agency program and budget which will be reviewed with the directorates for comment. Proposed organizational assignment of programs will be shown in the Agency program. The DD/S&T will then submit the program to the Office of Planning, Programming, and Budget. The DD/S&T will be responsible for presenting and justifying

the RD&E program to the Bureau of the Budget, Congress, and others as appropriate. When appropriations are approved, the DD/S&T will modify and reprogram as required in consultation with the affected components, indicate responsibility for the various programs and transmit those actions for implementation.

5. The DD/S&T will approve all proposed expenditures for RD&E over \$25,000. He will also approve proposed program restructuring, ECP's, overruns, and all other actions requiring fiscal or contractual action. A program review Board, with representatives from each directorate, will review proposed programs and program modifications and advise the DD/S&T.

6. Qualified DD/S&T career officers will be assigned to the directorates on a tour basis to operate under their command supervision, and participate and assist in the identification of RD&E needs and the development of RD&E programs. These officers will maintain close liaison with the DD/S&T in his assignment as the Agency single manager for RD&E.

7. The DD/S&T will report on the CIA RD&E programs and its coordination with the rest of the intelligence community to the PTIAB, and serve as the policy point of contact for the Agency on matters of RD&E. The DD/S&T will establish official liaison with government, industrial, and educational institutions in the area of policy for RD&E. The various technical organizations participating in the RD&E program on behalf of CIA will maintain the contact normally required in the regular conduct of approved programs.

8. The DD/S&T is authorized to appoint a Special Assistant for RD&E. The Special Assistant will be charged with the responsibility for ensuring security and compartmentation of the RD&E program consistent with the protection required by the operating components.

9. Implementation of this Executive Order is effective 1 November 1966 to include all Fiscal Year 1966 funds. The Deputy Director for Science and Technology is authorized and directed to issue additional instructions and procedures which may be necessary to implement and manage this program.

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